

TO SMASH BICYCLE RECORDS

Crack Wheelmen Will Work for Fresh Honors.

SOME OF THE FAMOUS RIDERS

The Number of Fast Men on the Track Will Exceed That of Previous Years. Not Surprising if Every Record From Yards to Miles Were Broken.

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It would not be a surprising thing if nearly every bicycle record from one hundred and fifty miles were lowered this season in the contests in which John S. Johnson, Walter C. Sanger, Fred J. Titus and Owen Ziegler are to struggle for the supremacy. It is reported that Houben, the crack English wheelman,



W. C. SANGER.

as well as Watson and Henie, who have beaten records in Great Britain, are to visit this country. Henie holds records from four miles to eight miles, while Watson is the ten-mile champion of England. If these men come to the United States, contests will be arranged in which the English champions will meet the fastest American riders, with results sure to be interesting.

Houben is a famous wheelman of great speed and wonderful endurance, but he will have to drive his wheel faster than he ever has done to beat either Sanger, Johnson or Titus. It is doubtful if there is a bicycle rider in the world who can beat John S. Johnson, of Minneapolis, unless it be Walter Sanger, and it is doubtful if the rider has yet mounted a wheel who can defeat Fred Titus from twenty to thirty miles.

Titus, by the way, has joined the Spalding bicycle team, and he has issued a challenge to ride any man in the world 25 miles for \$3,000 a side. It would not be wonderful if no cyclist picked up the gauntlet, for bicycle riders are like race horses and pedestrians. These belong in classes. Many can ride the shorter distances in fast time,



ARTHUR A. ZIMMERMAN.

while others who fail at short distances are successful at the longer runs. It is claimed that neither Johnson nor Sanger can ride 25 miles as fast as many others, while Titus could not live with Sanger or Johnson in a shorter run. Johnson is perhaps the fastest bicycle rider in the world for a mile. The wonderful mile ridden by Willie Windle in 1 minute 46 4/5 seconds was reduced last year to 1 minute 35 2/5 seconds by John S. Johnson, and the time will come very shortly, if not this summer, when the mile record will be 1 minute 30 seconds. Johnson's mile as well as Windle's was made with a flying start. Harry C. Tyler's one mile standing has been lowered by Walter C. Sanger, and to him alone belongs the title of champion at the standing mile, he having covered the distance in 2 minutes 7 1/5 seconds.

The bicycle is now of as great importance as the trotting horse so far as racing is concerned, and it has been proven that it can be propelled faster and further than a horse.

John S. Johnson, the champion bicycle rider of the world, is a Swede, 23 years old, slim built, and weighing in training, 138 pounds. He is not a stocky, sturdy lad like Windle, nor a model of athletic beauty like A. A. Zimmerman. He is not only the champion bicycle rider of the world, but he is just as fast on roller and steel skates as he is on a wheel. Some of his records made last year were: 440 yards, 22 seconds; 850 yards, 52 seconds; one mile, 1 minute 47 3/5 seconds; two miles, 3 minutes 54 3/5 seconds; these records were made with flying start. Johnson also holds the following records with standing start, which exceed trotting horse times: Quarter of a mile, 22 seconds; half a mile, 56 1/2 seconds; one mile, 1 minute 57 3/5 seconds; two miles, 4 minutes 1 second; three miles, 6 minutes 9 seconds; four miles, 18 minutes 15 3/5 seconds; five miles, 20 minutes 23 3/5 seconds. The best record for one mile ever made by any cyclist was made by Johnson at Buffalo, N. J., October 24, 1894, when he covered a mile on a straightaway course in the remarkable time of 1 minute 35 2/5 seconds, which performance beat the best mile run on a straightaway course by a race horse, Salvatore having covered a mile at Monmouth Park, Long Branch, N. J., in 1 minute 35 1/2 seconds.



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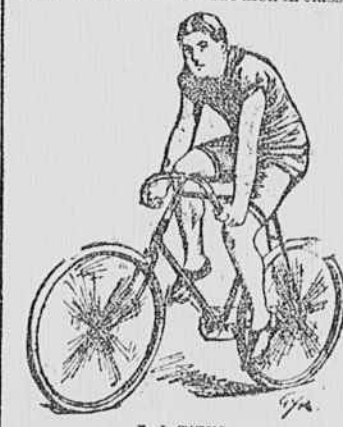
Johnson is now one year older, and he has had greater experience and more practice. He confidently expects this summer to beat his Buffalo record. Earl in his career Johnson was not regarded as a fast man, and was beaten any number of times in competitions on an ordinary wheel. The elliptical sprocket gear used on bicycles reduces the amount of friction to a minimum and is a big advantage to a strong wheel driver, who plugs away at the cranks and relies on his power more than his cleverness in fast pedaling. The invention is an old one, but it has only recently come into use. Johnson was one of the first to use the improved bicycle, and rode a mile in 1 minute 58 1/5 seconds. Another thing that has operated in Johnson's favor is the fact that he was the first cyclist to be paced by a horse. In all trials against time cyclists are paced by some one who goes before them and breaks the force of the wind, which is one of the greatest drawbacks a fast rider has to contend with.



JOHN S. JOHNSON.

It has been reported that Johnson would turn professional and go to England to race against the champions, and the announcement created quite a sensation among bicycle circles. If he should cross the Atlantic it will be late in the fall probably, for he has been matched to ride a series of one-mile races with Walter E. Sanger for a trophy, said to be valued at \$2,500, and the championship of America. One race is to come off in June, another in July and the last in August. These contests will raise a furor in sporting circles, for the men have any number of admirers who will speculate heavily on the results. Outside of the contests in class A and class B, the Johnson-Sanger races will be the sensation of the bicycle world for 1895.

The fact that Arthur Zimmerman, who ranks close to John S. Johnson in speed, is to be married in June and is going to Australia, and that Wheeler and Banker will not be seen in the country this year, would lead many to suppose that there will be a scarcity of crack wheelmen, but such is not the case. The number of fast men in classes



F. J. TITUS.

A and B will exceed the number of previous years, and Zimmerman, Wheeler and Banker will not be an appreciable loss to the American path this season. Among the famous cyclists who promise great things this year is A. W. Porter, of Waltham, Mass. During 1894 he rode a mile in 1 minute 35 3/5 seconds; two miles in 4 minutes 55 1/5 seconds. He has also covered a mile in 68 seconds.

His two miles flying, 14 minutes 55 1/5 seconds was a great performance, while his quarter of a mile in 25 seconds, made at Waltham, Mass., on November 15, 1894, was also fast cycling. Another wheelman who is expected to do wonderful things during 1895 is A. P. Senn, of Utica, N. Y., who won a number of races last year in class A un-paced. He is not a sprinter, but his forte is distance riding. Last season he rode three miles in 7 minutes 28 2/5 seconds, four miles in 19 minutes 4 seconds, five miles in 22 minutes 35 3/5 seconds, and ten miles in 45 minutes 36 1/5 seconds. His great triumph was riding twenty-five miles in 1 hour 5 minutes and 30 seconds, which feat he performed on November 19, 1894, at Utica, N. Y.

F. H. Allen, of Springfield, Mass.; E. E. Anderson, of St. Louis; J. D. Park, of Denver, Col.; W. A. Wenzel, of Philadelphia; E. O. Nelson, of Springfield, Mass.; H. Davidson, of Waltham, Mass., are all prominent cyclists who will make records during the coming season.

Wendell Phillips' Cutting Retort. Dr. Furness, of Philadelphia, tells a characteristic story about Wendell Phillips. "Several clergymen," he says, "boarded a street car in Boston one day, and one of them, hearing it indicated that Wendell Phillips was in the car, got up and asked the conductor to point him out. The conductor did so, and the minister, going up to the orator, said: 'You are Mr. Phillips, I am told.' 'Yes, sir.' 'I should like to speak to you about something, and I trust, sir, you will not be offended.' 'There is no fear of it,' was the sturdy answer, and then the minister began to ask Mr. Phillips earnestly why he persisted in stirring up such an unfriendly agitation in one part of the country about an evil that existed in another part. 'Why,' said the clergyman, 'do you not go south and kick up this fuss and leave the north in peace?' Mr. Phillips was not the least ruffled, and answered, smilingly: 'You, sir, I presume, are a minister of the Gospel? I am, sir,' said the clergyman. 'And your calling is to save souls from hell?' 'Exactly, sir.' 'Well, then, why don't you go there?'—Life's Calendar.

New Form of Breakwater. A \$100,000 breakwater, with curved face to turn the waves back on themselves, thereby breaking their force, is to be built at Marquette, Lake Superior. It is the first of the kind on the lakes, and but few have been built anywhere.

Constantinople's Walls. Constantinople's ancient walls are to be restored; two commissions have been appointed to superintend the work. The Turkish government also proposes to establish a school of architecture in Constantinople.

BLOOMERS AND BRIGADES.

How the Grove City College Girls Are Branching Out.

College and town circles of Grove City, Pa., have been excited lately over two female organizations, one that has already made its appearance and the other yet to come. A girl's military company began the stir, and now a Girl's Bloomer brigade threatens to complete the social revolution. The older folk are beginning to wonder where the new woman will stop, and discussion is rife as to the borderland of her sphere.

The moving girl spirits of the college, desirous of equaling their brethren of the military department, which numbers 200, have arranged a military company of their own, which is now the pride of the college. The "Kaiser Guards," named after the president of the college, already number among their members 20 of the first young women of the school.

The girls are inferior to their brothers in no respect, and even excel them in their grace of company formations and marching. The girls are enthusiastic and grasp the military idea with astonishing alacrity.

The Bloomer brigade is to make its initial appearance in the near future. No bloomer costume has ever appeared on the streets, although the number of bicycle girls is large for a town of 2,500.

The sister comprising the Bloomer brigade come from blue blooded families, and it is likely that their new movement, which is backed by wheelmen, will meet with favor and followers.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

WOMAN'S CUBAN CLUB.

Composed Exclusively of American Women Devoted to Cuba's Cause.

In various cities of the country Americans have been organizing clubs in sympathy with the Cuban revolutionists, but Baltimore has the first association of this kind composed entirely of American women.

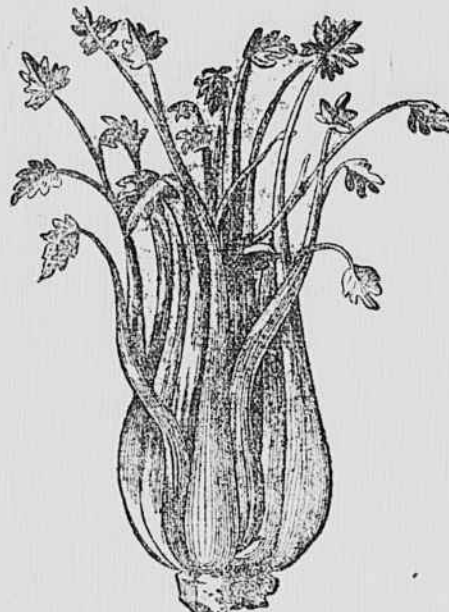
Miss Florence Trimble started the movement and soon collected about her other women, who are as enthusiastic as the organizer. A meeting was called, and those who attended were supplied with miniature Cuban flags, which they wore on the bosom. Miss Trimble explained the object of the meeting and called upon those assembled to be loyal to the cause. She recalled the trials of the continental army during the days of the Revolution and asked that the bravery and self sacrificing spirit of the American women of that period inspire those of the present day.

These remarks were greeted with hearty applause. Miss Trimble was then elected president, and Mrs. Jennie Mcneaney was made secretary and treasurer. It is the intention of the club to raise funds for the cause by giving a series of entertainments. They have adopted as their watchword, "Sympathy with Cuba and the Monroe doctrine."—New York Sun.

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The medical journals of this country have given more space in the last few years to the many remarkable cures where the use of Paine's Celery Compound has made people well than to any other one subject.

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Bargain in Men's Balbriggan Underwear, 38c a suit.

White Marseilles Quilts, extra heavy, generous size, \$1.

Ladies' Seamless, Stainless Black Hose, foreigners, these, high spliced heel, linen soles, 25c. The buyer will save 14c. on each pair—likely more.

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PROPOSALS FOR SUPPLIES.

NATIONAL HOME FOR D. V. S. SOUTHERN BRANCH, P. O. ADDRESS. NATIONAL SOLDIER'S HOME, VA., April 12, 1895. Sealed Proposals, subject to the usual conditions, will be received at this home until 12 o'clock, noon, on TUESDAY, May 14, 1895, at which time and place they will be opened in the presence of bidders, for furnishing and delivering supplies, during the six months commencing July 1st, and ending on June 30th, 1895, as follows:

Apples, dried; Barley, peas; Navy and Lima Beans, Cabbage, Crackers, Dried Corn, Dried Currants, Coffee, Extract Lemon and Vanilla, Hominy, Jelly, Lard, Mutton, Macaroni, Mackerel, Molasses, Mustard, Oatmeal, Onions, Baking Powder, Peas, Pickles, Peppercorn, Dried and Canned Peaches, Peas, Potatoes, Rice, Fine and Coarse Salt, Syrup, Corn, Starch, Cherries and Smoking Tobacco, Canned Tomatoes, Vinegar, Cracked Wheat, Compressed Yeast, Marmalade, etc.

Separate Proposals will also be received and opened at the same time and place for supplies to be furnished during the term and payment will be made on application to Colonel Charles Candy, Commissary of Subsistence. Envelopes containing proposals should be addressed "Treasury National Home for D. V. S., Elizabeth City County, Virginia," and marked "Proposals for Supplies," and for three months, or "six months," as the case may be. WM. THOMPSON, Treasurer.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY, WASHINGTON, D. C., April 12, 1895. Sealed proposals, enclosed "Proposals for Supplies," for the U. S. Naval Hospital, Norfolk, will be received at the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Navy Department, Washington, D. C., until Tuesday, April 18, 1895, at 11 a. m., when they will be publicly opened, for daily supply of meats, groceries, butter, eggs, ice, milk, bread, protein, etc., for the Naval Hospital, Norfolk, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1896. The specifications of articles, with information as to order and probable quantity, conditions, terms of application to the Medical Officer in charge of the hospital. No proposal will be considered unless there is at least one bid for each article. There is a regular dealer in the articles no proposal is to be made. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

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LIQUOR LICENSES.

The Judge of the Corporation Court of the city of Norfolk has set apart

SATURDAY, MONDAY and TUE. DAY, the 27th, 29th and 30th days of April, 1895, to hear

APPLICATIONS FOR LIQUOR LICENSES IN SAID CITY.

All persons interested are not to be admitted on the days set apart for the hearing.

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By the Morris Auction House, J. T. Kirby, Jr., Proprietor, 38 Bank Street.

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We will sell for account of a party declining business, at store No. 231 Queen street, on MONDAY, April the 29th, at 12 o'clock, all the stock contained therein, consisting of a large stock of FINE CLOTH, CASSIMERE, ETC.,

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MONDAY MORNING, APRIL 29th, at 10:30 o'clock, all the stock contained therein, consisting of a well selected stock of Groceries, Canned Goods of all kinds, Tobacco, Cigars, Show Cases, Glass Jars, Scales, Store Fixtures, Bar Fixtures, Mirrors, etc., etc.

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SALE OF A VALUABLE FARM.

By virtue of two deeds in trust to me made by Andrew J. Boxler and wife, of date respectively December 9, 1882, and March 11, 1890, duly of record, and at the request of the said Andrew J. Boxler, I shall expose to sale at public auction, to wit: the Norfolk Real Estate Exchange, 115 Main street, Norfolk, Va., on TUESDAY, May 27th, 1895, at 10 o'clock a. m., the following valuable farm, to wit: a young strawberry field in full bloom and other crops. The land is high and peculiarly adapted to trucking, and there is quite a valuable bakery tract attached. It is a first-class farm.

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